

LISTING OF AND AMENDMENTS TO CLAIMS:

1. - 8. (canceled)

9. (previously presented) An article of manufacture comprising a computer usable medium having computer readable program code means embodied therein for causing operation of a computer system, the computer readable program code means in said article of manufacture comprising computer readable program code means for causing a computer to effect the elements of claim 20.

10. (canceled)

11. (previously presented) The computer system of claim 20 wherein the portal comprises a database for registered content provider credentials.

12. (previously presented) The computer system as recited in claim 20 wherein said at least one content provider, the portal and the user are coupled via the Internet.

13. - 19. (canceled)

20. (currently amended) A computer system including at least one content provider for providing content to a user coupled to a portal, said portal being capable of connection to a user, wherein said at least one content provider comprises means for offering a new content to the portal, said new content being a new feed or channel, wherein the portal comprises:

means for comparing credentials of said at least one content provider with stored credentials of registered content providers, said means for comparing including an intelligent program with a rule database, which automatically checks credentials of a new content provider and establishes a decision whether to accept or reject the new content provider, thus automatically registering new content providers;

checking means for the portal to check the new content semi-automatically or fully automatically;

means for accepting or rejecting said new content of said at least one content provider, based on a determination of said checking means;

a publish service for receiving information from the content provider concerning the new content which the content provider can provide for publication by the portal;

a portal content queue for storing the information;

a portal content catalogue for storing accepted new content;

a portal configuration in which entire available content of the portal is assembled;

a portal user configuration storage for storing preferences of a user and for providing a notification to a user if new content matches preferences of the user; and

a portal aggregation for assembling content to be sent to the user in response to a user request to the portal for information from a content provider.

21. (previously presented) The computer system of claim 20, wherein said checking means comprises:

administrator means; and

a content manager for evaluating the new content based on a decision of said administrator means.

22. (new) The computer system of claim 21, further comprising means for sending a message of the decision of the administrator means to a content provider that provided content.